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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: PREPARING SWAPO FOR THE PROXIMITY TALKS

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1. IN CONNECTION WITH APPROACH TO SOARES AND PRESIDENCY
REGARDING NAMIBIA NEGOTIATIONS, WE ARE REPEATING TO YOU
USUN TELEGRAM 320 WHICH CONTAINS FINAL TEXT OF CONTACT
GROUP'S PROPOSAL FOR A NAMIBIA SETTLEMENT. THIS DOCUMENT
IS FOR YOUR BACKGROUND USE AND SHOULD NOT AT THIS TIME BE

PASSED TO PORTUGUESE. TALKING POINTS FOR YOUR APPROACHES TO PORTUGUESE WILL BE SENT SEPARATELY.

2. AS REPORTED IN LAGOS 1285, AMBASSADOR EASUM AND ONE OTHER COLLEAGUE FROM LAGOS CONTACT GROUP WILL BE TRANS-ITING LISBON ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3 EN ROUTE TO LUANDA. IF EMBASSY LISBON WERE ABLE TO PREPARE INFORMAL PORTUGUESE TRANSLATION OF CONTACT GROUP'S PROPOSAL IN TIME TO GIVE COPY TO AMBASSADOR EASUM, THIS WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL FOR HIS DISCUSSIONS IN LUANDA. DEPARTMENT UNABLE ARRANGE FOR PORTUGUESE TRANSLATION HERE IN TIME MEET EASUM'S SCHEDULE.

3. DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT APPROACHES TO PORTUGUESE BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER AMBASSADOR EASUM PRESENTS PROPOSALS IN LUANDA. ASSUMING THAT SCHEDULE IN LAGOS 1285 HOLDS, THIS WOULD MEAN THAT MEETING WITH PORTUGUESE COULD

TAKE PLACE AS EARLY AS FEBRUARY 6.

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